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SUBJECT: PRESS COVERAGE OF SOMALI VICE PRESIDENT'S VISIT TO MOSCOW

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1. ALMOST IDENTICAL REPORTS CARRIED IN SONNA, THE OFFICIAL SOMALI NEWS AGENCY, AND TASS INDICATE THAT TALKS BETWEEN SOMALI VICE PRESIDENT LT. GEN. MOHAMED ALI SAMATAR AND SOVIET COMMUNIST PART OFFICIALS IN MOSCOW ARE PROCEEDING IN AN ATMOSPHERE OF "FRIENDSHIP AND COMPLETE MUTUAL UNDERSTANDING. THE REPORTS SAY THE TALKS CONFIRM "THE MUTUAL STRIVING OF THE COMMUNIST PARTY OF THE SOVIET UNION (CPSU) AND THE SOMALI REVOLUTIONARY SOCIALIST PARTY (SRSP) FOR STRENGTHENING OF INTER-PARTY COOPERATION AND FOR ALL-OUT DEVELOPMENT OF FRIENDLY RELATIONS BETWEEN THE USSR AND SOMALIA."

2. AT A DINNER IN HONOR OF THE SOMALIS, VICE PRESIDENT SAMATAR REPORTEDLY SAID THAT THE SOMALI "PEOPLE ARE RESOLVED TO CONTINUE
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FIGHTING IMPERIALISM AND COLONIALISM, RACISM AND THE EXPLOITA-

TION OF MAN IN ALL FORMS." IN THIS FIGHT, HE SAID, THE SOMALIS
"KNOW THAT THEY CAN ALWAYS RELY ON SUPPORT...FROM THE COUNTRY
THAT MARCHES IN THE VANGUARD OF WORLD SOCIALISM--THE SOVIET
UNION."

3. THE TALKS REPORTEDLY ARE BEING CONDUCTED ON THE SOVIET SIDE
BY ANDREI KIRILENKO, MEMBER OF THE POLITBURO OF THE CPSU CENTRAL
COMMITTEE AND CENTRAL COMMITTEE SECRETARY BORIS PONOMAREV,
CANDIDATE MEMBER OF THE POLITBURO; ARKHIPOV, DEPUTY CHAIRMAN
OF THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS; SKACHKOV, CHAIRMAN OF THE STATE
COMMITTEE OF THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS ON FOREIGN ECONOMIC
RELATIONS; KUZNETSOV, FIRST DEPUTY MINISTER OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS;
AND KULIKOV, FIRST DEPUTY MINISTER OF DEFENSE.
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